

## **The Michigan Interagency Coordinating Council (MICC)**

### **Quick Notes**

**February 8, 2008**

Governor appointments were made! New and reappointed MICC members were welcomed to the first meeting of the year.

#### **Action Items:**

- ▶ A motion to accept new and updated Bylaws was approved. At the May meeting, a Co-Chair and Secretary will be elected.
- ▶ A motion was accepted to invite individuals from Medicaid, Public Health, Special Education 619 and the Department of Human Services Child Care entity to be present at MICC meetings.

#### **Topics:**

- Clarification of Executive Order

The new Executive Order changed the membership of the MICC and does not include individuals from Public Health, Medicaid, Special Education 619, and DHS Child Care. Members want those voices at the table, and although the Executive Order will not change and members can't be added, individuals representing the above entities will be invited to attend the meetings. Mark Larson will send a letter to the appropriate agency Directors asking for individuals to be assigned to attend MICC meetings.

- Annual Performance Report (APR) and Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) Letter

The APR was submitted February 1, 2008 to OSEP. The APR outlines the priorities that will be addressed each year. It contains 14 indicators, or priorities, with activities and timelines to achieve the goals and improve outcomes for young children and their families. OSEP made a verification visit to Michigan in November. The follow up letter to MDE has not been received.

- Funding Formula for Part C

The funding formula was distributed and members were asked to consider making recommendations, via Ad Hoc committee, to change the current formula. Changes would not go into effect until 2009.

- Parent Support Policy

MICC members and agency personnel will meet to review the current MDE parent support policy. The group will review the current budget and discuss different options for reimbursing parents who attend meetings related to the MICC and the subcommittees.

- Part C Public Hearing Comments

A formal public comment period was held in the fall of 2007. Issues related to Part C include changing the definition of eligibility for *Early On*<sup>®</sup>, changes to the established conditions list, and amending the State Plan to reflect the proposed changes. Comments were received and shared with MICC members.

The Office of Special Education and Early Intervention Services received all the comments and is in the process of reviewing them. The response has not yet been finalized. When completed, the responses and rationale will be shared with the MICC.

#### **2008 SICC Meetings:**

May 9, 2008	9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.	MDE, State Board of Education Room
Sept. 12, 2008	9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.	MDE, State Board of Education Room
Nov. 14, 2008	9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.	MDE, State Board of Education Room

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